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MEMORANDUM FOR: Department of Commerce LCP Representative  
FROM : CIA DCP Representative  
SUBJECT : Soviet Attempts to Obtain Butadiene Plant and  
Technical Data from the U.S.

CLEARANCES

25X1A2g 1. Permission has been granted to disseminate the attached  
[redacted] reports to the Department of Commerce for BACKGROUND USE ONLY  
classified CONFIDENTIAL/NOFORN/NO DISSEMINATION ABROAD.

2. It is requested that where CIA source descriptions or  
numbers are known, no mention of these be made in any further  
dissemination of this material. Please advise this Agency of the  
use made of the information contained in this report.

COMMENT

25X1A2g 3. The attached reports are transmitted as an indicator of  
continued Soviet interest in butadiene plants and processes. See  
[redacted] for previous  
Bloc attempts to acquire the above technical data. While U.S.  
authorization to ship this equipment and related technical data  
has been refused, it appears obvious that the Soviets have not  
given up hope of obtaining it from sources outside the U.S.

25X1A2g Attachment: 1. [redacted] 8 May 1959  
25X1A2g 2. [redacted] 22 April 1959

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